



**TE KŌTI PĪRA O AOTEAROA
THE COURT OF APPEAL OF NEW ZEALAND**

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TUESDAY 13 OCTOBER 2026

COURT OF APPEAL – COURTROOM ONE

PERMANENT COURT

THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE FRENCH – PRESIDENT,

THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE COURTNEY, THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE COLLINS

REGISTRAR: L SMART

10:00am

CA101/2025

Mariya Ann Taylor (G F Little SC, R S Walker)

Appellant

v

Robert Richard Roper And Anor (A C M Fisher KC, E N C Lay)

Respondents

Civil Appeal: Edwards J [2025] NZHC 30

Whether High Court was right to dismiss claim for exemplary damages against RNZAF for historic sexual abuse by employee.

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